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(57) Abstract

The present invention provides a method for initiating, promoting and/or directing cell attachment to a matrix or to another cell, comprising contacting an EphB receptor—expressing cell with a tetrameric EphB receptor—binding ligand, whereby binding of the tetrameric ligand promotes multimerization of the EphB receptor, thereby initiating, promoting and directing cell attachment to a matrix or to another cell. Also provided is a method for promoting angiogenesis, comprising contacting EphB receptor—expressing cells which are associated with angiogenesis with a multimeric EphB receptor—binding ligand, whereby binding of the tetrameric ligand promotes multimerization of the EphB receptor, thereby promoting angiogenesis.